Weekly Update from O'Shea Irish Dance Administrator

Friday, May 15, 2020

Important Dates - Mark Your Calendars

• May 16 - Adrienne O'Shea - Solo Concert Debut - 3 pm to 4 pm Virtual Concert Celtic Junction presents Adrienne O'Shea in her first solo concert with special guest Cormac Ó Sé. Adrienne's musicality reveals a transcontinental experience, steeped in old-world style but with a young, modern energy. Born in Dublin to a family steeped in Irish culture, and immigrating young to a unique Irish pocket in St. Paul, MN, Adrienne has feverishly sought and soaked up her traditional roots. In the midst of a worldwide pandemic it is, perhaps, appropriate that this young "Zennial" musician makes her solo presence known online simultaneously on both sides of the Atlantic, performing live from her home and broadcasting on the <u>Celtic</u> <u>Junction Arts Center's FB page.</u>

From Natalie and Cormac:

Great job on the Recital, Preschool, Beginner and Primary Dancers! We had so much fun watching you dance last Saturday. Your hard work paid off as your fabulous energy shined on our screens and the lovely notes we got from parents and grandparents warmed our hearts. Some of you even managed to show off new dances. Well done!!!

While we don't have the details yet, we are working on three exciting developments - a fun dance video watch party in June, a Socially Distant "Class Feis" in July, and a hybrid Live/Virtual recognition of our graduating seniors and celebration of OID's 15 year anniversary in August on Irish Fair Weekend. Watch this space!

We miss you all! Love, Natalie & Cormac

P.S. Don't miss the joy!!! The videos from the recital are posted in our private Facebook group. xoxoxox



Latest Guidance on COVID-19

This week Governor Walz announced the Stay Home MN order is going to expire at midnight on May 17. In its place, he has issued the <u>Stay Safe MN</u> order which allows more businesses to open Monday and even more on June 1. In addition, Stay Safe MN allows gatherings of 10 or fewer to take place with 6' social distancing. He and Commissioner Malcolm indicated that we are still very much in the middle of the pandemic and we will see more cases of COVID-19 in our state.

We recognize that friends and families are eager to gather again and dance together again. We are following the St. Paul Schools building closure and online learning schedule through the end of May. Meanwhile, we are watching carefully for further guidance on gyms and fitness centers, as they are the most similar businesses to our dance studio. Those guidelines will determine how we open safely, likely starting in June with socially distant class trials in the two larger dance studios. State info can be found here and the City of Saint Paul's info is here.

LOVE O'Shea T-Shirts in the Logowear Store

Love O'Shea? Of course you do! Now there's a shirt that'll help you show it. The OID Logowear Store is open with one specific item, the LOVE O'Shea shirt. **Order anytime between now and 5/26** and plan to do curbside pickup at CJ the weekend of 5/30. More details to come! Here's the link:



https://loveoshea.itemorder.com/sale

IDPA Board Meeting Tomorrow at 10 am

There is an IDPA board meeting Saturday, May 16 at 10 am. Zoom meeting details below. As always, meetings are open to OID dancers and parents interested in learning more about what IDPA is working on and planning.

Zoom Meeting: https://zoom.us/j/98628365123 | Meeting ID: 986 2836 5123 | Password: 575239

Class Schedule and Zoom Studio Links

Links to OID class-specific info and the weekly schedule of Zoom classes can be found on the following pages on the Damhsa site:

- <u>Class Levels</u>
- <u>Schedule of Online Classes</u>
- Family Guide to Zoom classes

LOOK FOR YOUR NEXT WEEKLY UPDATE ON FRIDAY, MAY 22, 2020